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In re Patent Application of

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Serial No. 09/699,398

Filed: October 31, 2000

For: LUER RECEIVING MEDICAL VALVE AND FLUID TRANSFER METHOD



Atty. Ref.: 1131-62

Group: 3763

Examiner: Rodriquez, C.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

December 31, 2001

Sir:

AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action dated July 30, 2001, kindly enter the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following amended claims for corresponding claims previously presented. A copy of the amended claims showing current revisions is attached.

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24. (Amended) A medical valve for receiving a male luer connector having an open distal end and for providing fluid communication, said valve comprising:

- a. a housing having a proximal end and a distal end and a bore, the bore defining a longitudinal axis extending through said housing from said proximal end toward said distal end, said housing including a cylindrical proximal portion, said proximal portion being sized for receiving said male luer distal end and to engage threads of said male luer connector, said housing further including a distal portion;
- b. at least one rigid member mounted within said bore;
- c. an elastomeric septum piston disposed within said bore, said septum piston having at least one longitudinal elastomeric wall, a transverse elastomeric face

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

Fees are attached as calculated below:

Total effective claims after amendment	11	minus total number of claims		
in original patent	23	=	0	x \$ 18.00
				\$ 0.00

Independent claims after amendment	1	minus number of independent claims		
in original patent	4	=	0	x \$ 84.00
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